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WHEREAS, the enthusiasm and support of a single ruler led to the discovery of America and the resounding effect this discovery had upon the history of the world; and

WHEREAS, this great ruler, Queen Isabella of Castile, wife of Ferdinand of Aragon, was the sole backer of Christopher Columbus, whose proposed expedition to the New World was contrary to the 15th century concept of the world; and

WHEREAS, the shrewd intuition of Queen Isabella, as well as the financial support and risk taken by Her Majesty on behalf of Spain, was responsible for uncovering the unknown riches of the Western Hemisphere; and

WHEREAS, the history of America has direct linkage to the birth of Queen Isabella on April 22, 1451:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim Monday, April 23, 1973 as

QUEEN ISABELLA DAY

In South Dakota and urge all citizens to reacquaint themselves with the earliest history of our Nation by honoring this Spanish Queen who was solely responsible for America's Discovery.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre the Capital City, this 26th day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-three.



RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



LORNA B. MERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE